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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Wednesday's values. The market tone was steady. Demand was light to very good. Supplies were usually sufficient to instances close for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were close to available for the light to moderate demand. Spent hens were mostly adequate to about adequate for a fair to fairly good demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

<u>MIDWEST REGIONAL</u> Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail movement was moderate to very good. Food service demand was light to at times moderate. Supplies were adequate to at

times close.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	62-71	65-68
LARGE	61-70	63-66
MEDIUM	51-60	53-56

RI, Northern VA, and VT

IA-MN-WI Prices paid to			
producers	Range	Mostly	
LARGE	43-52	47	
MEDIUM	33-39	37	
SMALL	18-22		

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged on all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady entering the weekend. Demand into all channels was light to good. Supplies were generally sufficient for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to close for the light to moderate demand. Spent hens were mostly adequate to about adequate for a fair to fairly good demand. Slaughter schedules were reduced due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

RANGE MOSTLY

reduced due to the manksgiving holiday.	KANGE	WOSILI
EXTRA LARGE	69-83	71-75
LARGE	64-78	69-73
MEDIUM	56-69	61-63
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NI	H, Eastern N	J, Eastern NY, PA,

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned demand was good to very good. Food service movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to at times close. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate for the adequate to available offerings. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Schedules were mixed. Trade sentiment mostly steady to instances

parely steady.	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	73.5-82	75-78
LARGE	73.5-82	75-78
MEDIUM	57.5-66	59-62
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR AZ CO KS LA M	O NM OK and TX	

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to good. Supplies were mostly sufficient. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to close for the light to moderate demand. Light type fowl were usually adequate to about adequate for the fair to fairly good demand.

RANGE MOSTLY

demand.	RAN	NGE MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	73	-81 75-78	
LARGE	71.5	-79 73-76	
MEDIUM	58.5	-66 59-63	
SOUTHEAST AREA: AL FL	GA MS NC SC Fastern TN	and Southern VA	

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK EGGS Prices were unchanged when compared to Wednesday's values. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to good. Supplies were sufficient for current trade requirements.

RANGE
EXTRA LARGE
78-82
LARGE
76-80

LARGE	76-80
MEDIUM	68-72

RANGE	MOSTLY
69-77	70-72
67-75	68-70
57-65	58-60
	69-77 67-75

<u>WESTERN REGIONAL</u> Prices unchanged. Trade sentiments were about steady overall. Asking prices for next week was unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand was moderate to good. Offerings were generally adequate to cover most needs.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Prices unchanged. The market tone was generally steady with asking prices for next wee unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand generally good. Offerings in fair balance. Small benchmark price 77.

CALIFORNIA Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	119
EXTRA LARGE	115
LARGE	107
MEDIUM	97

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS

 PER DOZEN.
 RANGE

 JUMBO
 99-108

 EXTRA LARGE
 97-102

 LARGE
 95-98

 MEDIUM
 84-87

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER

DOZEN.	RANGE
JUMBO	259-329
EXTRA LARGE	229-309
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	189-199

<u>CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK</u> Prices were unchanged. Demand was light to moderate for the adequate to available offerings. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Schedules were mixed. Trade sentiment mostly steady to instances barely steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSILI
BREAKING STOCK	23-27	23-25
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	33-38	36-38
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,I	MN,MO,NM,N	D,NE,OH,
OK SD TX WI		

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady. Floor stocks were usually reported as adequate to close. Some locations were reporting that lighter weight eggs were slightly more available than heavier sizes. Demand was light to moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 19-Nov-2005 were 3% less the previous week, and 4% lower than a year earlier.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

RANGE

	IVAINGE	WOSILI
BREAKING STOCK	35-39	37-39
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	22-29	23-26
EASTERN REGION AREA: AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,M	D,MA,MS,NI	H,NJ,NY,NC,
PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 19-NOV-05 (LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)							
		CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	В	ROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,2	75,700	31,963	11,183	5,975	2,042	4,425
PW	1,3	02,392	31,948	11,599	6,118	2,189	4,402
LY	1,2	55,972	31,336	11,467	6,173	1,988	4,435
% Chg I	PWK	-2%	0%	-4%	-2%	-7%	1%
% Chg L	_Y	2%	2%	-2%	-3%	3%	0%
2005	60,5	09,254	1,436,895	585,088	313,396	133,886	204,386
2004	57,1	56,114	1,358,116	549,913	297,131	123,698	196,485
% Chg \	/TD	6%	6%	6%	5%	8%	4%
Average Yield Per Case -CurrentPrevious Last							

_	Week	Week	Year
(Inedible Included)	41.97	41.51	42.53
(Inedible Excluded)	38.51	38.13	38.99

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES	BROKEN	LIQUI	LIQUID WHOLE			
	Cases	% of Total	lbs.	% of Total			
CURRENT WEEK	512,430	40.2%	14,659	45.9%			
PREVIOUS WEEK	550,083	42.2%	15,141	47.4%			
LAST YEAR	474,298	37.8%	13,026	41.6%			

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 58 to 59 cents fob with pasteurized whites reported at 30 cents fob. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak for whole egg and yolk with whites about steady. Offerings were at least fully adequate for whole egg, balanced to adequate for whites and fully adequate to instances ample for yolk. Demand was sluggish through the week of Thanksgiving for all liquid products. Central States breaking stock prices were about unchanged when compared to the previous week's reported prices. Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days

delivery within 14 days.			C	HANGE FROM
CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	10	25-37	33.35	-2.72
WHITES	14	21-24.5	23.54	26
YOLKS	17	61.5-64	62.88	82

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher on sugar yolks, balance of items were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was seasonally light. Offerings were generally adequate for current trade requirements. Trade sentiment was about steady on yolks, balance of items were usually steady. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 19-Nov-2005 were 18% more than the previous week, but 4% lower than a year earlier.

wholesale selling prices (cents	per lb in 30 lb	containers)	LTL
	TRUCKLOTS	(MIN. 25	CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	44-54	49-53	55-60
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		65-81
WHITES	31-40	36-40	42-55
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SO	OLIDS) 67-74	70-73	76-84
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOL	IDS) 66-70	67-70	782
(/) - whole plus volk plus sweetene	er, generally 28-3	2% eaa solids	

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower with whites unchanged to 2 cents lower. Frozen sugared yolk ranged 2 cents lower with salted yolk 1 cent lower. Trade sentiment was steady to mostly barely steady for all frozen products. Demand was seasonally moderate while offerings were balanced to adequate. Frozen inventories were reported as in close balance. Central states breaking stock prices were about unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.

wholesale selling prices (cents per pound in 30 lb containers)

TR	UCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	50-52	
WHITES	35-40	37-38
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	70-72	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	67-69	69

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices were unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 11/19 was 3% more than the previous week. Frozen demand moderate to good with freezer stocks generally adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

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	RANGE
WHOLE	55-59
WHITES	42-45
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	76-79
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	74-77

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Mostly prices were unchanged on albumen and blends, but unchanged to slightly lower on the balance of items when compared to a week earlier. Trading was seasonally light with offerings generally sufficient for current trade needs. Trade sentiment was mixed, but usually steady. Traders were watching further market developments. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 19-Nov-2005 were 7% less than the previous week, but 3% higher than a year earlier. The total year to date production on dried eggs produced were up 8% over a year ago.

wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb, in cont., trucklot & less-than-trucklot volumes.

WHOLE	1.52-1.85	MOSTLY 1.56-1.75
YOLKS	1.55-1.85	MOSTLY 1.60-1.75
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.20-2.90	MOSTLY 2.30-2.50
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)1.28-1.50	MOSTLY1.30-1.45

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 18, 2005-NOV 24, 2005

		CURRE	NT LOAD	S 4	7.75		FUTURE I	_OADS 84.:	25	TC	TAL LO	ADS 1	32.00		
		SE	N	E	IV	IW		1	5	SC	N'	W	S	W	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	49.50	58.00	50.50	53.55	51.00	52.75	34.00	GNR W 1	_	60.36	_	_	_	69.00	13.00
GNR W 4	_	_	_	_	35.00	38.00	1.00	GL W J	47.00	_	_	_	_	58.00	3.00
GNR BR 1	_	80.00	_	_	_		5.00	GL W XL	_	54.75	_	62.50	_	56.88	10.00
GL W J	_	_	64.00	65.50	42.00	_	2.00	GL W LG	59.00	66.80	_	70.25	_	54.00	22.00
GL W XL	65.00	69.71	60.33	60.54	45.49		32.25	GL W MD	45.04	60.50	_	49.29	_	50.83	16.75
GL W LG	_	69.73	58.50	62.67	42.56	46.60	48.50	GL W SM	_	_	_	_	34.00	37.00	1.00
GL W MD	55.00		_	42.00	37.64		18.00	GL BR LG	79.25	_	_	_	_	84.00	.50
GL W SM	_	_	36.58	38.92	_		3.00	NRBS - 48	_	35.50				_	13.00
NRBS - 48	_	_	_	_	41.00	31.26	30.00								
NRBS - 45	_		_			35.00	1.00								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER
CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to fairly good for the mostly adequate to about adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were reduced due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Trade sentiment was steady.

RANGE MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST 3-13 8-9

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Disposal costs were TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent light fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were only fair. Costs were expected to remain constant.

RANGE MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST

TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were mostly unchanged to slightly lower. Offerings were adequate to barely adequate for next week's delivery and caused some slaughter schedules to be cut back due to a lack of available birds. Demand was moderate to good. Trade sentiment steady.

RANGE MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST 0-11 6-9

<u>WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN</u> Plant worked reduced schedules due to the Thanksgiving's Day holiday. Offerings were about adequate.

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL NOV 25, 2005

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

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REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	
NORTHEAST	73.00	71.00	62.00	
SOUTHEAST	76.50	74.50	61.00	
MIDWEST	66.50	64.50	54.50	
SOUTH CENTRAL	76.50	76.50	60.50	
COMBINED REGION	IAL 73.25	71.83	59.50	

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading was too few to report for heavy canners; unchanged on lights when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to no better tthan fair for light canners; mostly fair to moderate at best for heavy canners with most available supplies being used internally. Offerings were at least sufficent for current trade needs. Processing schedules were less than normal due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The undertone was steady to about steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)

20-29 MAJORITY 24.5-25.5

HEAVY CANNER HENS
(WITHOUT NECKS)
TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS HEAVY CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS) (WITHOUT NECKS)

21-31 MAJORITY 26-27 TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 19-NOV-05 U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS —THOUSANDS—	TOTAL HENS
Head	1.427	— THOUSANDS— 1.444	2,871
Last Week	1,296	1.427	2,723
Same week yr ago	1,380	1,501	2,881
To-date/2005	66,262	65,436	131,698
To-date/2004	63,169	62,970	126,139

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
		-THOUSANDS-	
Head	244	3	247
Last Week	165	0	165
Same week yr ago	249	8	257
To-date/2005	11,949	63	12,012
To-date/2004	11 217	136	11 353

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
		-THOUSANDS-	
Head	1,671	1,447	3,118
Last Week	1,461	1,427	2,888
Same week yr ago	1,629	1,509	3,138
To-date/2005	78,211	65,499	143,710
To-date/2004	74.386	63.106	137.492

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade

U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending November 12, 2005			Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004	
Liquid	357	708	15,304	17,357	
Frozen	0	0	130	11	
Dried	0	80	728	685	
Total	357	788	16,162	18,053	

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending November 12, 2005			Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004	
Liquid	28	128	6,070	7,279	
Frozen	0	5	732	1,506	
Dried	0	63	371	1,956	
Total	28	196	7,173	10,741	
Inspected Shell Eggs					

U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)

Week Ending	November 1	Year-	Year-To-Date		
TYPE	2005	2004 1/	2005 2/	2004	
Jumbo	0	0	190	392	
Extra Large	1,670	6,560	177,701	189,944	
Large	2,360	8,620	284,466	393,059	
Medium	892	3,320	93,515	122,305	
Ungraded	12,114	8,838	205,804	311,062	
Misc	0	0	9,753	16,790	
Total	17,036	27,338	771,429	1,033,552	

^{1/} Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding. 2/ Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.

<u>COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -</u> Selected Centers (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

				Processed other
	F	rozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Poultry/LBS
AM	11/21/0	5 3,325	43,191	64,375
AM	11/01/0	5 3,885	81,804	63,547
CHG		-560	-38,613	828
PCT (CHG	-14%	-47%	1%

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO	RETAIL CHAN	NELS V	N/E 18-NO	/-2005
SELECTED	CW	PW	PC ⁻	Γ CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSAND	os	PW	LY
Atlanta	30.4	29.2	4	-7
Boston	3.2	3.4	-6	-3
Chicago	108.0	106.8	1	67
Detroit	27.8	37.6	-26	6
Kansas City	4.9	2.6	88	-2
Los Angeles	118.0	119.0	-1	28
New Orleans	5.4	5.6	-4	-18
New York	31.9	32.2	-1	-8
St. Louis	23.6	24.4	-3	22
San Francisco	20.0	20.0	0	-18
Total	373.2	380.8	-2	21
4 Week Moving Avg.	362.0			

COMMERCIAL EGG	(Receipts From Producers)			
W/E 18-NOV-2005	CASES	PERCENT	CHANGE	FROM
REGIONS (IN THOUS)	PW	LY	
North Atlantic	217.7	1	2	
East North Central	666.3	2	6	
West North Central	317.4	4	3	
South Atlantic	205.8	-1	-12	
South Central	67.0	-1	-4	
West	201.0	-1	3	
Total	1,675.2	-1	1	
Matched plants repo	orting	84	84	

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE) East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD) South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK) West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT NOV 22, 2005 PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE MOSTLY	126	117	90	56 -
NEW HAMPSHIF	RE 119-123	110-114	83-87	49-53
MOSTLY	121-122	112-113	85-86	51-52
RHODE ISLAND MOSTLY	125-129 125	116-120 116	89-93 89	55-59 55
VERMONT MOSTLY	126	117 -	90	-

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